

INDIANA AND MICHIGAN STATE HAPPENINGS

ELKHART KEY MEN IN DARK ABOUT STRIKE

Are Not Worrying and Expect to Stick to Their Instruments.

News-Times Special Service: ELKHART, Ind., May 5.—Elkhart members of the Order of Railway Telegraphers and all local signalmen residing in this city were at work Thursday and in official circles it was stated that there was no intimation of a strike.

None of the men concerned declared they could tell when the strike would be called. "I don't think anyone knows exactly when we will get our orders," said one telegrapher, who broke his silence for the first time in several days. "In the meanwhile we are not worrying and we stick to our keys. I heard unofficially over the wires that another conference was being arranged between the union heads and railroad officials, but I don't know how much truth there is to that."

At Signal Supervisor T. C. Kirkpatrick's office it was stated that the men were at work as usual and that Mr. Kirkpatrick was out of the city on company business. Office employees declared they knew nothing whatever concerning the threatened strike and that the local men had given no intimation of any impending labor trouble.

At the New York Central ticket office it was stated that as far as was known no interruption in the operation of trains was anticipated, even in event of a strike.

William C. Smith of Allegan, Mich., who was arrested here Monday night as intoxicated or insane and who later tried to commit suicide with a piece of tin cup, does not improve. Alcoholism is believed to be the cause of his mental condition.

William Van Dine, arrested Tuesday night and charged with criminal assault on his 13-year-old sister-in-law, Viola McElreath, was taken into the superior court Thursday morning, where it was said, he was prepared to plead guilty to the charge. However, the court was busy with other matters and Van Dine was returned to the city jail. It is now expected he will be arraigned Friday.

Frank Columbus, a suitor for the girl's favors, who was arrested and charged with a similar offense on the girl, was released last evening. She and her parents protested Wednesday that Columbus was innocent. Columbus was accused by Van Dine after he had obtained the information from the girl that led to Van Dine's arrest.

Preparations are being made for the entertainment of the delegates to the national convention of the Sick and Death Benefit society of the Lutheran church of Michigan which is to be held in Trinity Lutheran church hall in this city in July. More than 100 delegates are expected.

At a meeting Wednesday night Ernest Lohman was chosen delegate to represent the local branch, with C. F. Meyer as alternate. An executive committee—E. G. Crone, E. W. Lohman and Gustave Kunkel—was chosen. The committee was given power to name other committees.

GIVES CITY PLAYGROUND

Columbus Banker Also to Provide Park for Employees.

News-Times Special Service: COLUMBUS, Ind., May 5.—Frank C. Crump, president of the First National bank here, will give the city the free use of a large tract of land for a public playground, and will remove old buildings on other land to give the Reliance Manufacturing Co. a park for its employees. The announcement follows by only a few days the purchase of 20 acres by William E. Bonner, millionaire steel man, of Philadelphia, which he will give to the city for a municipal park.

The Reliance Manufacturing Co. will spend about \$1,000 to beautify the grounds for its park. It employs more than 400 girls and women and is conducting a campaign to obtain 10¢ more. Work on the improvements of the land to be converted into a public playground will be started by Mr. Crump in a few days.

MAN SHOTS HIMSELF

J. W. Boughner Despondent Over Family Affairs.

News-Times Special Service: SHELBY, Ind., May 5.—Despondency caused by family troubles, his wife having recently been taken to Traverse City, is believed to have caused J. W. Boughner to end his life with a revolver shot. The last seen of Mr. Boughner was when he crossed the street on his way to his home, by a neighbor, to whom he spoke. Hearing a shot soon after the neighbor entered the house and found Mr. Boughner dead on the floor. Mr. Boughner had been in business here for many years, and conducted one of the largest groceries in this section of the state. The coroner, on investigation, decided that no inquest was necessary, as it was evidently a case of self-destruction.

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AUTOS CARRY PATRONS TO AND FROM CADILLAC STORE. News-Times Special Service: CADILLAC, Mich., May 5.—Not only are Cadillac stores using auto trucks and light delivery machines to provide delivery for their customers, but they are also securing automobiles for the direct convenience of their patrons. The Webber-Ashworth Co., this city's largest furniture store, has recently bought two Overland touring cars which are ready throughout the working day to go anywhere in the city limits to secure persons who wish to trade at the Webber-Ashworth store or who wish to look at their stock. Patrons are also asked, after visiting the store, if they wish to be taken home in one of the company's machines.

WHOLESALE TO VISIT IN NORTHERN INDIANA

Will Spend Three Hours in South Bend and Mishawaka on Trip.

News-Times Special Service: INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., May 5.—The first of the 1916 trade extension trips to be taken under the direction of the trade extension committee of the Indianapolis chamber of commerce will be a tour of northern Indiana, May 24 to 25, beginning at Hammond and ending at Fort Wayne. It is expected that 50 or more heads of Indianapolis wholesale houses will make the trip. The tourists will travel on a special train, which will be a change, as many of the trade extension tours last year were made by automobile and were known as "gasoline gallops." These trips were successful and were an innovation in trade extension tours for the middle western states. The tentative plans for this year's program include trips by steam road, Interurban and automobile. It is expected that a greater number of trips will be made this year than ever before.

The special train for the first trip will consist of a baggage car, a day coach, a dining car, three Pullman cars and an observation car. Fifty or more jobbing houses in the city will be represented.

Cities to Be Visited. The route planned by a committee of the division consisting of Samuel G. Van Camp, Fred L. Willis and Otto D. Lefler follows: Tuesday, May 23—Leave Indianapolis at midnight. Tour begins at Hammond, where a two-hour visit is scheduled; East Chicago, one hour; Whiting, one hour; Indiana Harbor, one hour; Gary, two hours; Porter, 20 minutes; Michigan City, one hour and 30 minutes; spend night at Laporte.

Wednesday, May 24—Leaving Laporte, the first stop is at New Carlisle, where a 30-minute visit is scheduled; South Bend and Mishawaka, three hours and 30 minutes; Elkhart, two hours; Goshen, one hour; Millersburg, 30 minutes; spend night at Lakeland.

Thursday, May 25—Leaving Lakeland, the first stop is at Kendallville, with a one-hour visit; Waterloo, 30 minutes; Angola, 45 minutes; Auburn, one hour and 15 minutes; Fort Wayne, four hours. The party will return to Indianapolis from Fort Wayne.

GIRLS IN LONG HIKE

Olivet's Feminine Army Tramps 33 Miles Briskly.

News-Times Special Service: OLIVET, Mich., May 5.—The Olivet girls' army has made its first march, returning from a 32-mile hike to Portland. The average distance traversed was four and one-fifth miles an hour.

The organization was launched last fall and numbers 40. Several eight and 10-mile tramps were taken, but this was the first long march on record. They will be taken every week, according to plans, culminating in a march to the field day at Albion, the first week of May. The movement was inaugurated by Miss Vera Shrigley and Miss Frances Russman of the student body, because there is absolutely nothing in the way of physical training for the girl students.

GOOD ROADS MEN NAME L. O. WRIGHT PRESIDENT

News-Times Special Service: INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., May 5.—L. O. Wright of Columbus, Ind., president of the Indiana State Grange, was elected president of the Indiana Good Roads association at a meeting held at noon today at the board of trade building. Two nominations had been presented to the association, but on the refusal of Luke Duffy, now a candidate for the Indiana legislature on the republican ticket, to make the race, Mr. Wright's election was made unanimous.

During a general discussion following the election, emphasis was placed on the necessity of a state highway board and of the determination on the part of the members of the association to devote their time and interests toward obtaining the creation of such a board. It was explained that by a state board federal assistance and cooperation would be certain and the financial problem in good roads work also would be solved.

PLAN FOR ANNUAL REUNION OF ELKS

Marion Lodge Raising Money For Entertainment—Announce Contests.

News-Times Special Service: MARION, Ind., May 5.—The fifteenth annual state reunion of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks in Indiana will be held here May 24 and 25. Committees are raising money to carry out the program of entertainment when Marion lodge No. 105 will be host to the other lodges of the state. More than 2,000 Elks are expected to attend, word being received that Indianapolis will send 200; Ft. Wayne 200; Wabash 150; Anderson 200; Hartford City 75; Michigan City 75; and Alexandria 75. Accredited delegates from at least 50 lodges will participate in the business session.

Plans for Annual Picnic. A feature of the reunion will be a street parade in which members of lodges will appear in costumes. Prizes will be awarded to the delegation having the best costumes and to the one having the most men in line, and the lodge having the largest percent of its members present. The Marion lodge will not compete. Other prizes will be for the tallest Elk, the shortest Elk, and the fastest Elk. The parade will be held the second day of the reunion. The executive committee has decided to permit Motion picture industries to participate in the parade, and many attractive floats are promised.

Not all plans for the reunion are complete, but the executive committee has announced a ritualistic contest among the lodges, and visiting teams will hold a contest in the public square. At 11 o'clock on the second evening the Elks' toast will be given by Clavis Adams of Indianapolis.

Committees in Charge. Local committees in charge of the arrangements for the reunion are: Executive Committee—John R. Browne, chairman; J. L. McCulloch, U. S. McMurrie, D. H. Blumenthal, C. P. Griest, Charles L. De Vault and Charles A. Ball. Finance Committee—J. L. McCulloch, chairman; Thomas Mahaffey, W. C. Nicholson, Archie Price and Charles E. Grant.

Information, Registration and Hotel Committee—P. A. Gorman, Robert Riley, Walter Buchanan, Clayton Jones, Alva Bozue, Frank Paul, Herb Hayworth, Luther Ward, Robert Hutton and Philip J. Middleton.

Automobiles and Parade—U. S. McMurrie, chairman; Frank Riley, Tony George, Harry R. Hall, J. W. Stephenson, S. H. Smith, M. L. Swayzee, Thomas A. Ryan and C. W. Halderman.

Decorations—D. H. Blumenthal, chairman; E. O. Harrold, Austin Broughman, Hugh Smaltz, Fred Sage and Shively Bireley. Publicity and Press—O. L. McCulloch, chairman; T. H. Bedell, Homer Cant, Jerry Torrence, George M. Coon and E. L. Kinneman.

The state officers of the Elks' reunion organization are: Joseph E. Hennings, Anderson, president; Robert A. Scott, Linton, vice president; Thomas G. Hedden, Indianapolis, secretary; Frank E. Boughner, St. Wayne, treasurer; J. C. Sawyer, Michigan City, esquire; H. S. Miller, South Bend, inner guard; David M. Layle, Lafayette; John F. Reilly, Hammond, and David R. Carlton, Elwood, trustees.

ATTACK FREIGHT RATES

Commission Grants Permission to Hear Complaints.

News-Times Special Service: DETROIT, Mich., May 5.—A special from Washington says: The fact that Michigan cities outside of Detroit have applied for readjustment of freight rates has moved railroads of the state to protest, and it is certain that the proposal will meet with opposition.

"In particular, officials of the Pere Marquette have protested to members of congress, declaring that any reduction of freight rates at this time would be fatal to the hope of rebuilding that system. "As a matter of fact, the desire of the shippers is stated to be not so much a reduction of rates as the placing of Michigan on a par with Indiana, Ohio and other neighboring states, whereas it is claimed that Michigan now pays a uniformly higher rate.

"The interstate commerce commission has granted the petition of John C. Graham of the Jackson chamber of commerce, and other complaints of all Michigan will be launched in one action, and a general investigation of Michigan freight rates will proceed at once, it is stated.

NORWEGIAN SHIP IS ATTACKED BY SUBMARINE

International News Service: COPENHAGEN, May 5.—The Norwegian steamship Marie was attacked in the North sea by a German submarine and set on fire by shells from the war craft. Her crew took to the boats and were picked up and landed today.

REMOVAL NOTICE

Home Tassart has moved to 515 Farmers' Trust Bldg.—Adv.

CELEBRATE CENTENNIAL IN HUNTINGTON COUNTY

School Boys and Girls Have Leading Parts—Historical Tableau Given.

News-Times Special Service: HUNTINGTON, Ind., May 5.—Huntington county schools are jointly observing the centennial of Indiana. An educational and historical exhibit opened in the corridors of the court house Wednesday afternoon, with an attendance on the first day of more than 2,000. The exhibit covers every phase of the development of Huntington county during the last century. The art classes of the schools are showing drawings of historical events made from suggestions and descriptions by the teachers, and English classes have written biographies of early settlers and sketches of community history.

In the relic room are many antiques, principally antique farming equipment, household pieces, firearms and Indian work. A comprehensive exhibit of modern educational work represents the vocational departments of both the city, town and rural schools.

The principal program of the week was Friday, with special outdoor sports, including interschool competition, and a series of pageants. School teams have been in training for the field day, and high school alumni participated. Special features were planned by the intermediate and primary grades in the nature of the annual May festival. The intermediate grades represented "The Battle of the Mississinewa," "George Rogers Clark's Capture of Vincennes," and "The Old Indian Trading Post" in tableau. A stage coach has been built by the manual training class.

Day for Pioneers. Thursday was pioneer day. All the surviving pioneers of Huntington county and vicinity who were able to attend were guests of the Huntington county centennial committee. Harmon M. Purviance is the host. About 50 persons in this city who are more than 80 years old were special guests.

Mrs. Mac Baker is head of a committee in charge of a "better health exhibit." One room in the court house is occupied by this exhibit, which illustrates disease prevention. The state board of health sent motion picture films which are being shown free. J. M. Scudder, superintendent of the Huntington schools, is chairman of the centennial committee and Miss Etta Walters represents the rural schools association.

WOMEN ARE KICKERS

More of Feminine Sex Desire Single Blessedness.

News-Times Special Service: MASON, Mich., May 5.—Jurors have been drawn for the May term of circuit court which opens in this city next Monday. Judge Howard Weist and Judge Charles B. Collingswood presiding. The calendar for the May term contains 257 cases. The number of criminal cases is unusually small, there being but five, and three of these are brought against the same person. There are 19 jury and 42 non-jury cases, and 25 of these are brought to recover damages. There are 84 first class chancery and 88 fourth class, besides 19 brought over from former calendars because no progress had been made in them for more than a year. Divorces have been asked for by 162 people and, as is usually the case, twice as many women as men are seeking release from their marriage vows.

The calendar increases in size each year in a ratio proportionate to the growth of Lansing. The largest calendar ever made in the county was at the January term, when under the judiciary act all cases since the circuit was established which had not been completed, were placed on the docket, making a list of about 5,000 cases and forming a good sized volume.

STATE BRIEFS

News-Times Special Service: ALLEGAN, Mich.—Floyd Conklin pleaded guilty to trying a gum machine off the wall of the waiting room in the New York Central depot at Hilliards.

News-Times Special Service: HASTINGS, Mich.—An epidemic of measles is sweeping through Hastings. More than 20 families are in quarantine.

News-Times Special Service: MUSKOGEE, Mich.—The Farmers' State Savings bank opened its doors for business in the Steel hotel. It has a capital of \$25,000. The officers are: President, R. S. Clark; cashier, E. A. Tallmage.

News-Times Special Service: BAY CITY, Mich.—The Michigan congressional conference will hold its 74th annual meeting in this city May 16-18. More than 250 ministers and laymen are expected as delegates.

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CAN IT BE TRUE?

Merchant Sends Refund to Chicago Middle Man.

News-Times Special Service: HILLSDALE, Mich., May 5.—In a transaction recently completed here, a Hillsdale fruit grower and a Chicago middleman made an effort to protect each other against market conditions.

W. E. Erick of the J. Ellis Slater Co. of Chicago bought some apples last fall from S. A. Green of Hills-

dale. The Slater Co. put the fruit in storage until this spring, when prices were not as satisfactory as had been anticipated. The concern sold the fruit and sent Mr. Green a check for \$86.40, Jan. 6, for final payment on his apples.

The other morning Mr. Erick, opening his mail, found a letter from Mr. Green with which was enclosed a check for \$86.40, which had been sent to the grower bank in January. The accompanying letter said:

"By this time more of the apples have been moved, so you will know-

how they kept. I know the deal must have been unsatisfactory financially, from what I read of the markets.

"I am enclosing a check which I did not get cashed when it came. I think under the circumstances it is more deserving to you people than to me."

The Slater Co. was highly pleased with Mr. Green's generosity but would not accept the check.

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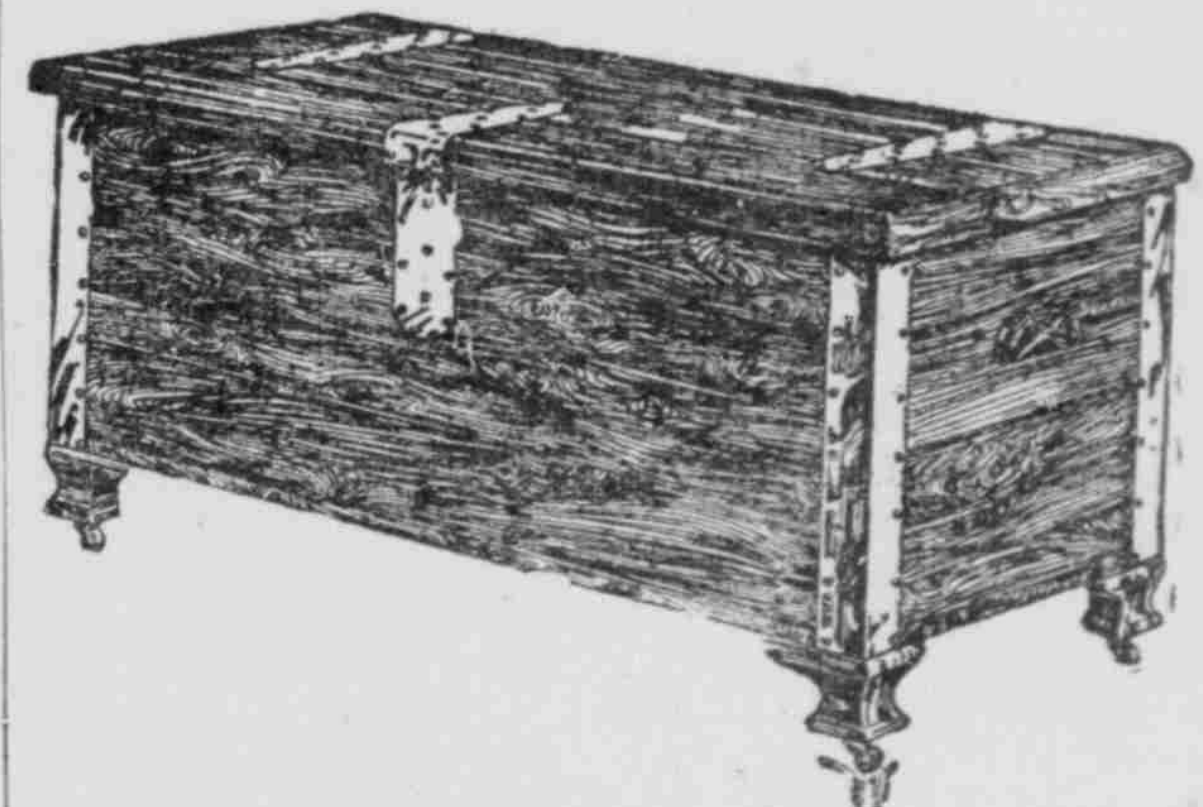
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